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Instructions:

Answer **Three** questions, at least ONE from each section

Duration	3hs
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Requirements:

Handout	
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SP404 Development and Change

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SECTION A

1. According to Hettne, 'the concept of development has tended to gain in depth and richness as the ugliness and brutality of actual processes of conventional economic growth or "actually existing development" are revealed'. Hettne argues that alternative models of development have begun to emerge. Explain some of the main ideas that are contained within the concept of 'alternative' or 'another development'. You may choose to illustrate your discussion using one or more specific idea within the 'alternative' school of thinking.
2. 'Development' denotes an idea of progress, but the term embodies different and sometimes competing visions and goals. Discuss how different views and definitions development inform the use of different indicators and measurements of economic and social progress.
3. EITHER
- 3a) Peter Preston has argued that 'the background to modernization theory is suffused with the political concerns of the USA in the late 1950s and early 1960s'. Discuss the wider political and economic context behind the ideas of the modernization school. How did this context inform their ideas?
- OR
- 3b) Discuss and critically examine the logic and assumptions underlying the modernization school's approach to development. What kinds of criticisms have been made about modernization theory?
4. What were the main insights of Dependency theory? Outline and discuss the explanations put forward by the Dependency theorists for development, or the lack of it. Are these explanations still relevant to development issues today?

SECTION B

5. How would the 'human development' approach view the problem of development? Discuss how the human development approach might apply to the problems of debt, agriculture or militarization. You may choose to focus on one, two, or all three of these problems.
6. It is often claimed that modern agricultural technologies are the solution to the problems of hunger and agricultural underdevelopment. Discuss this claim in relation to the application of 'Green Revolution' AND/ OR the new genetic engineering technologies.
7. Outline and discuss the meaning of the Rio principle of 'common but differentiated responsibility' for the global environment. You should explain the different positions of the industrialised 'North' versus the developing 'South' on the implementation of global environmental protection measures.
8. Why were Structural Adjustment Policies (SAPs) imposed on developing countries? Discuss and evaluate the negative impacts of SAPs. Should debt sustainability and structural adjustment continue to operate as the main conditions for highly indebted poor countries to qualify for debt relief?
9. What are the negative impacts of militarization and the arms trade on peace and human security in the contemporary post-Cold War world? Why is it so difficult to implement the global governance measures needed to control arms proliferation?